Meeting of Health Ministers of population growth

†791. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whehter a meeting of the Health Ministers of all the States was held last year to check the growing popualation of the country;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to check population growth at National level;

(c) whether Government have given any financial assistance to all the State Government to check population; and

(d) if so, the amount given to the States including Bihar during the year 2001-2002?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Government has undertaken many steps to achieve the population stabilisation. The National Population Policy 2000 has been adopted, and aims at attainement of Total Fertility Rate of 2.1 by 2010. A National Commission on Population has been constituted and the Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh registered, both under the Chairpersonship of the Prime Minister. An Empowered Action Group has been created to focus on the specific unmet needs of the eight socio-demographically lagging States *viz.* Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal, Orissa and Rajasthan. New contraceptives have been added to the programme, namely IUD 380 A and the Emergency Contraceptive. Under the Reproductive and Child Health Programme, issues of vacancies of ANMs, specialists, anaesthetists and lab technicians; availability of contraceptives and outreach of services related to mother and child care are being addressed. To involve the NGOs in more meaningful manner, the Guidelines have been revised to ensure that NGOs shift from only advocacy to service delivery, especially in the un/underserved areas.

Focused attention is being to adolescent health and urban and tribal populations, during the Tenth Five-Year Plan.

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†Original notice of the question was receieved in Hindi.

(c) and (d) A statement giving state-wise details of funds released under National Family Welfare Programme in 2001-02 is enclosed as statement.

Statement

State-wise Releases of Fund to The States/UTs Under National Family Welfare Programme

(Rs. In lakhs)

Sl.No.	Name of State/UTs	Funds released 2001-02
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Andhra Pradesh	25974.13
2	Arunachal Pradesh	773.54
3	Assam	14381.95
4	Bihar	16283.33
5	Chhattisgarh	6239.43
6	Goa	381.03
7	Gujarat	19298.81
8	Haryana	5549.09
9	Himachal Pradesh	2945.05
10	Jammu & Kashmir	3015.42
11	Jharkhand	7887.91
12	Karnataka	18694.67
13	Kerala	24499.35
14	Madhya Pradesh	15875.90
15	Maharashtra	28529.61
16	Manipur	2556.62
17	Meghalaya	1389.98
18	Mizoram	1664.28
19	Nagaland	973.79
20	Orissa	12530.12

(1)	(2)	(3)
21	Punjab	5354.45
22	Rajasthan	22830.09
23	Sikkim	965.75
24	Tamil Nadu	16312.14
25	Tripura	2217.58
26	Uttar Pradesh	41095.03
27	Uttranchal	4411.07
28	West Bengal	22668.65
	Total (States)	325298.77
	UTs with Legislature	
1	Delhi	3359.01
2	Pondicherry	521.92
	UTs without Legislature	
1	A&N Island	408.63
2	Chandigarh	317.69
3	D&N Haveli	91.57
4	Daman & Diu	124.96
5	Lakshdweep	76.56
	Total (UTs)	4900.34
	GRAND TOTAL	330199.11

Family Welfare Programme in Rajasthan

792. DR. ABRAR AHMED: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the Family Welfare Programme undertaken at village level in Rajasthan during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the expenditure incurred on such programme; and

(c) the progress made in bringing down the birth rate?